

# **Natural Gas Infrastructure R&D Roadmap Update II**

**Pointe South Mountain Resort, Phoenix Arizona  
February 8, 2004**

## **INTRODUCTION**

The U.S. Department of Energy's National Energy Technology Laboratory hosted the **Natural Gas Infrastructure R&D Roadmap Update II**, in Phoenix Arizona on Sunday, February 8, 2004. Forty experts from industry and government attended the roadmap update to provide technology-focused insights regarding current issues facing natural gas infrastructure. The meeting examined both near-term and long-term technology needs and provided valuable feedback on the existing infrastructure roadmap priorities and the portfolio of projects supported by NETL.

## **BASELINE**

Participants were divided into two groups, A and B. A single focus questions was presented to both groups for initial brainstorming:

1. What are the key trends and drivers that affect natural gas infrastructure with a focus on the past 2 years?

There was no prioritization voting for this initial board. Instead, it served as a warm-up and a background for the broad crosscutting exercise. Each group was then shown the results of the previous two roadmapping workshops on pre-printed cards. Participants were asked to develop additional needs and assess gaps using results from the initial brainstorming session. Two prioritization votings occurred for each group. First, each group voted on the new needs that were generated, and then each group voted on the existing needs that had already been identified. The intent for the latter voting was to reestablish what is currently considered top priorities.

## **PRIORITY LISTS**

### New Ideas

Group A      Corrosion – stress cracking – we don't know what we don't know  
                 3<sup>rd</sup> Party – Integrated GPS with GIS for real time mapping  
                 Leak Detection – Quantify methane emissions  
                 General – Accurate pipe location

3<sup>rd</sup> Party – Cost effective pipe feature for locating and marking  
Smart Pipe – Cost effective high pressure pipe  
Compressors – Research to improve reliability and efficiency  
Fuel Measurement – Monitor & measure gas quality economically  
Other – Financial recovery efficiency & reliability projects

Group B      Construction - Need cost effective ways to get pipe in ground and timely  
Construction- Cost effective R&R of aging plastic pipe w/ trenchless  
Gas Quality - Disparity of gas quality domestic and foreign  
Leak Detection - Visualization  
Compressors - Increase efficiency and economics of compressors  
Compressors - Improve RAM of compressors  
Other - LNG infrastructure & impact on existing pipelines  
Other - More throughput with existing pipelines T&D

#### Previous Ideas

Group A      Sensors – Inspection tools for non-piggable mains  
3<sup>rd</sup> Party – Right of way monitoring  
Leak Detection – Cost effective leak detection and pinpointing  
Leak Detection – Develop laser technology for above ground lines  
Compressors – Improve compressors and next generation  
Compressors – Advanced multi-function compressor technology  
Other – Conduct vulnerability assessment for natural gas systems

Group B      Sensors - Inspection tools for non-piggable mains  
Robotic - Advanced robotic technology for non-piggable transmission  
Underground - 3-D subsurface facility locating techniques  
Repair - Lower the cost on in-the-pipe repair technologies  
Smart Pipe - Materials research for high-pressures lines  
Compressors - Improve compressors and next generation  
Security - Conduct vulnerability assessment for natural gas

## **CROSSCUTTING RESULTS**

#### New Needs

Gas quality  
Compressors RAM (reliability, availability, maintainability)  
New construction cost effectiveness

#### Previous Needs

Sensors - Inspection tools for non-piggable mains  
Compressors - Improve compressors and next generation  
Security - Conduct vulnerability assessment for natural gas

## GROUP A RESULTS

### New Needs

New categories headings included general under inspection, fuel measurement under operational, technology implementation and acceleration. Participants prioritized new research needs using 3 regular votes. There was one new top vote getter with 5 votes, two new needs got 3 votes each, and an additional six new needs got 2 votes each.

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- 3) 3<sup>rd</sup> Party – Integrated GPS with GIS for real time mapping
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- 2) Fuel Measurement – Monitor & measure gas quality economically
- 2) Other – Financial recovery efficiency & reliability projects

### Previous Needs

The previous column headings were as follows: automation technologies, sensors, robotic inspection systems, 3<sup>rd</sup> party damage, leak detection, underground imaging, repair technologies and tools, smart pipe technology, pipe liners, compressors, modeling, corrosion, and other. Participants prioritized old existing research needs using 4 regular votes. There was one top vote getter with 5 votes, two needs got 4 votes each, and an additional four needs each received 3 priority votes:

- 5) Sensors – Inspection tools for non-piggable mains
- 4) 3<sup>rd</sup> Party – Right of way monitoring
- 4) Leak Detection – Cost effective leak detection and pinpointing

Group A	
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- 3) Leak Detection – Develop laser technology for above ground lines
- 3) Compressors – Improve compressors and next generation
- 3) Compressors – Advanced multi-function compressor technology
- 3) Other – Conduct vulnerability assessment for natural gas systems

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**GROUP A**  
**TABLE 1 – KEY R&D NEEDS THAT AFFECT NATURAL GAS INFRASTRUCTURE**

INSPECTION TECHNOLOGIES				REMOTE SENSING		
AUTOMATION TECHNOLOGIES	SENSORS	ROBOTIC INSPECTION SYSTEM	GENERAL	3 <sup>RD</sup> PARTY DAMAGE PREVENTION	LEAK DETECTION	UNDERGROUND IMAGING
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Improved system for data acquisition</li> <li>✓ <i>Develop lost cost standard communication equipment (plug &amp; play)</i> ● ●</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Develop multifunctional sensors, residual life, damage, mapping</li> <li>✓ In-line inspection tool ●</li> <li>✓ <i>Inspection tools for non-piggable mains</i> ● ● ● ● ●</li> <li>✓ <i>Develop magnetic flux leakage tools for better pit geometry</i> ●</li> <li>□ <b>Small internal inspection tools (2" maws)</b> ▲</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <i>Advanced robotic technology for non-piggable transmission mains</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>□ <b>General inspection method to objectively set re-inspection intervals</b> ▲</li> <li>□ <b>Inspection for pipeline wellness for new pipelines. Help NIMBY problem</b> ▲</li> <li>□ <b>Accurate pipe location and description of effects (SCC...)</b> ▲ ▲</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ System of sensors and communication devices to detect when someone is near ● ●</li> <li>□ <b>Develop warning systems on excavation equipment</b> ●</li> <li>✓ <i>Right-of-way monitoring</i> ● ● ● ● ●</li> <li>✓ <i>Develop suite of cost-effective surveillance techniques</i></li> <li>✓ <i>Develop smart pipe technology w/wireless remote sensing devices</i> ●</li> <li>□ <b>Integrated GPS with GIS, for real time mapping that is immediate and accurate</b> ▲ ▲ ▲</li> <li>□ <b>Cost effective pipe feature locating &amp; marking RFID</b> ▲ ▲</li> <li>□ <b>Emergency response abatement</b> ▲</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Laser optical methane and ethane detectors w/speed and accuracy ● ● ●</li> <li>✓ Cost-effective leak detection and pinpointing ● ● ● ● ●</li> <li>✓ <i>Develop laser technology to detect leaks in above ground lines</i> ● ● ● ● ●</li> <li>✓ <b>Quantify methane emissions</b> ▲ ▲ ▲ ▲</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Underground inspection technology to aid construction and repair</li> <li>✓ 3-D subsurface facility locating techniques ● ●</li> <li>✓ Develop better imaging for locating underground pipes</li> <li>✓ More sophisticated underground directional drilling technology</li> <li>✓ Sensors to guide boring tools to detect other facilities</li> <li>✓ Locatable plastic (non-metallic) pipe (imbedded material tag)</li> <li>✓ <i>Boring equipment with real-time damage detection</i></li> <li>□ <b>Harmonic drill, directional boring, tools that use harmonic resonance to drill through soil but not through pipe</b></li> </ul>

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MATERIALS DEVELOPMENT			OPERATIONAL TECHNOLOGIES			
REPAIR TECHNOLOGIES AND TOOLS	SMART PIPE TECHNOLOGY	PIPE LINERS	COMPRESSORS	MODELING	CORROSION	FUEL MEASUREMENT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <i>Robotics repair of internal corrosion</i></li> <li>✓ <i>Lower the cost of in-the-pipe repair technologies using new design</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Smart pipes that are self-healing and self-monitoring</li> <li>□ High pressure plastic pipe materials ●</li> <li>□ Develop high pressure composite pipe</li> <li>□ Materials optimization: new composites, corrosion resistant, high pressure, low cost ●●</li> <li>✓ <i>Take sensing to level of “skin” for intelligent pipelines</i></li> <li>✓ <i>Materials research for high pressure lines</i> ●</li> <li>□ <b>Cost effective higher pressure distribution pipe</b> ▲▲</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Lining technology to upgrade low pressure lines to higher pressure ●</li> <li>□ Development of smart, multifunctional pipeline coating</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Improve compressors and next generation compressors ●●●</li> <li>✓ Lower cost emission control compressor engines ●●</li> <li>✓ Modeling algorithms for compressor station components</li> <li>✓ <i>Advanced multi-function compressor technology</i> ●●●</li> <li>□ <b>Improved sensors for comp. machinery</b> ▲</li> <li>□ <b>Research to improve compression reliability &amp; efficiency</b> ▲▲</li> <li>□ <b>Lower emission comp. equipment without after treatment</b> ▲</li> <li>□ <b>More flexibility comp. equipment</b> ●</li> <li>□ <b>Advanced engine designs to burn new species fuel (partially oxidized to reduce environmental protection)</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Develop predictive pipe failure models ●</li> <li>✓ <i>Develop information exchange protocols</i></li> <li>✓ <i>Forecasting system of generation and LDC dispatching</i></li> <li>□ <b>Cross company pipeline modeling to determine interconnect opportunities to increase capacity</b> ▲</li> <li>□ <b>Data integration technology</b> ▲</li> <li>□ <b>Develop non-parametric statistical tools/techniques to monitor real time compressor performance and degradation</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>□ <b>Stress corrosion, cracking, we don't know what we don't know</b> ▲▲▲▲▲</li> <li>□ <b>Corrosion – internal/external and ways to avoid</b></li> <li>□ <b>Above ground corrosion</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Risers</li> <li>- MSA</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>□ <b>Monitoring and measuring gas quality economically</b> ▲▲</li> <li>□ <b>Low cost energy measurement technology to accurately measure BTU – this could increase pipeline capacity 10-15%</b> ▲</li> <li>□ <b>Gas quality analysis</b> ▲</li> </ul>

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OTHER	OTHER	TECHNOLOGY IMPLEMENTATION/ ACCELERATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Study how to improve permitting process</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> More realistic economic model for analyzing construction benefit and risk</li> <li>✓ Develop novel on-site storage technology</li> <li>✓ Develop improved storage facilities ●</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Financial recovery – efficiency and reliability projects ▲▲</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Cumulative effects on row</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Distributed storage – residential, commercial point of use storage ▲</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Pipeline construction technology that responds to environmental concerns (footprint) ▲</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <i>Secure SCADA</i></li> <li>✓ <i>Conduct vulnerability assessment for natural gas systems ●●●</i></li> <li>✓ <i>National emergency warning system ●</i></li> <li>✓ <i>Nationwide energy control system to be activated in an emergency</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Process for code changes for new technologies quickly and rationally</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>How do we move research projects to commercialization more rapidly</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Academic programs to train people for NG industry or funding research ▲</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Miniature – Nano-technology for internal pipe inspection – what’s available</b></li> </ul>

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### WHAT ARE THE KEY TRENDS AND DRIVERS THAT AFFECT NATURAL GAS INFRASTRUCTURE?

MARKET AND PRICES	OPERATIONAL AND BUSINESS NEEDS	TECHNOLOGY	REGULATIONS, CODES, ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES	INDUSTRY STRUCTURE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Natural gas price transparency suspect</li> <li>▪ Price/demand variability/instability</li> <li>▪ New federal regulations on coal plants and demand for natural gas and gas plants</li> <li>▪ Bottlenecks between supply and demand centers</li> <li>▪ Market profile changes</li> <li>▪ Sources of natural gas supply shifting from SW/SE U.S. to NW U.S. &amp; Canada</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Integrity Management</li> <li>▪ Data integration/communication</li> <li>▪ HP distribution pipe</li> <li>▪ Sensor technology for comp. equipment</li> <li>▪ Pipeline integrity – new tools</li> <li>▪ New pipeline construction difficult – update</li> <li>▪ SCC issues</li> <li>▪ Trend to higher pressure pipelines</li> <li>▪ Increasing understanding of need for risk management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Plastic</li> <li>- Steel</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Inspection for all defect types. B31.85</li> <li>▪ System Monitoring and control issue</li> <li>▪ Development of natural gas storage both non-traditional underground and safety of above ground</li> <li>▪ Include need for compression flexibility</li> <li>▪ Machinery life extension</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Advanced recip compressor technology (GMRC) efficiency/reliability</li> <li>▪ Cheaper distributed comm. and sensors RFID</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Air quality issues associates with natural gas combustion</li> <li>▪ More government regulations to need</li> <li>▪ Sustainability base</li> <li>▪ New infrastructure for stranded gas reserves, environmental/ecological issues</li> <li>▪ Demand for electricity confines to ? &amp; natural gas fills role or peak power ?</li> <li>▪ Antiquated regulations that don't align with new materials technologies</li> <li>▪ No incentives for increased fuel efficiency</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Technology funding constraints (utility)</li> <li>▪ Determination of knowledge base</li> <li>▪ Incentive reg./PBR and productivity improvements</li> </ul>



## GROUP A

### WHAT ARE THE KEY TRENDS AND DRIVERS THAT AFFECT NATURAL GAS INFRASTRUCTURE? (CONTINUED)

GAS QUALITY	SECURITY AND RISK MANAGEMENT PROTECTION	PUBLIC POLICIES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ LNG gas quality</li><li>▪ Gas quality (BTU values)</li><li>▪ Security and risk management protection</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ LNG imports and safety, security, reliability</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Public education vs. NIMBY</li><li>▪ Construction PL</li><li>▪ LNG</li><li>▪ President's reference to the hydrogen economy</li><li>▪ X-border issues (Regulatory standards)</li><li>▪ More emphasis needed on commercialization</li></ul>

## GROUP B RESULTS

### New Needs

There were 15 active participants in Group B. Funding or the future lack thereof was of importance to the group for this and the crosscutting session. A few were outspoken on this lack of funding issue, and they want some commitment for DOE for a long-term solution to pending R&D funding halts. Another pervasive need is the general notion of developing quicker and cheaper pipeline installation techniques. DOE discouraged priority voting on these needs because they effectively cannot do anything about it.

New categories headings included security surety, gas quality, construction, major objectives, and R&D funding. The latter two were encompassing ideas that crosscut all endeavors and were not allowed to vote on because rally no specific need but instead a general concept. Participants prioritized new research needs using 3 regular votes. There was one top vote getter with 9 votes, two needs got 5 votes each, and another 5 needs got 4 votes each.

- 9) Construction - Need cost effective ways to get pipe in ground and timely
- 5) Construction- Cost effective R&R of aging plastic pipe w/ trenchless
- 5) Gas Quality - Disparity of gas quality domestic and foreign
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### Group B

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Jeff Wright	FERC
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### Previous Needs

The previous column headings were as follows: automation technologies, sensors, robotic inspection systems, 3<sup>rd</sup> party damage, leak detection, underground imaging, repair technologies and tools, smart pipe technology, pipe liners, compressors, modeling, corrosion, and other. The old security category was amended to add surety and therefore considered a new category. Participants prioritized old existing research needs using 4 regular votes. There was one top vote getter with 7 votes and an additional 6 needs that each received 4 priority votes:

- 7) Sensors - Inspection tools for non-piggable mains
- 4) Robotic - Advanced robotic technology for non-piggable transmission mains
- 4) Underground - 3-D subsurface facility locating techniques
- 4) Repair - Lower the cost on in-the-pipe repair technologies
- 4) Smart Pipe - Materials research for high-pressures lines
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OTHER	NEW AREAS				
OTHER	SECURITY SURETY	GAS QUALITY	CONSTRUCTION	Major Objectives*	R&D Funding*
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Study how to improve permitting process</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> More realistic economic model for analyzing construction benefit and risk ●</li> <li>✓ Develop novel on-site storage technology</li> <li>✓ Develop improved storage facilities ●</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Hydrogen infrastructure for dispersion, delivery and combustion and standards ▲</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>LNG infrastructure and impact on existing pipelines ▲▲▲▲</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>More throughput with existing pipelines T&amp;D ▲▲▲▲</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <i>Secure SCADA systems ●●</i></li> <li>✓ <i>Conduct vulnerability assessment for natural gas system ●●●●</i></li> <li>✓ <i>National emergency warning system</i></li> <li>✓ <i>Nationwide energy control system to be activated in an emergency</i></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Response recovery phase ▲</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Disparity of gas quality domestic and foreign conflict with pipeline standards - how reconcile ▲▲▲▲▲</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>End-use performance</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Piping and machinery integrity performance</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Energy content measure</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Need cost effective ways to get pipe in ground and timely ▲▲▲▲▲▲▲▲▲</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Guided boring technology ▲</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Cost effective replacement and rehabilitation of aging plastic pipe systems with trench-less method ▲▲▲▲▲</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Improved deliverability, security, operational efficiency               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- reduced costs</li> <li>- regulatory compliance</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Amount and dependability limits long-range planning</li> <li>▪ Future funding sources</li> </ul>

#### Bullets

- ✓ = DOE project (s) exists that address this need
- ☐ = No DOE project exists for this need

#### Voting

Green Dots = priority vote for existing needs  
Red Triangles = priority vote for new needs

#### Type

Regular = Natural Gas Infrastructure Roadmap, June 2000  
Italic = Roadmap Update I, January 2002  
Bold = Roadmap Update II, February 2004

**GROUP B**  
**WHAT ARE THE KEY TRENDS THAT ARE AFFECT NATURAL GAS INFRASTRUCTURE?**

R&D FUNDING	COST EFFICIENCY	REGULATORY COMPLIANCE & INTEGRITY	INCREASED PIPELINE CAPACITY AND EFFICIENCY	PIPELINE SECURITY SURETY	COMPRESSION TECHNOLOGY RELIABILITY, MAINTABILITY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Insufficient Industry R&amp;D funds to make-up for GTI FERC Funding ending in 2004</li> <li>▪ Funding R&amp;D GAP</li> <li>▪ Changing players in infrastructure R&amp;D funding and organizational interests</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Looking for labor saving technologies where money is spent especially surveying</li> <li>▪ Cost effective technologies</li> <li>▪ Cost effective replacement and rehabilitation of aging plastic pipe distribution systems utilizing trench-less methods</li> <li>▪ Growing application of data interwire integrity techniques and need for analysis and validation like MFL data</li> <li>▪ Alternative high pressure pipe materials               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- lower cost installation &amp; O&amp;M</li> <li>- i.e., composite plastic</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Guided boring technologies like keyhole</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Pipeline Safety Act 2003 – Inspections in high consequence area</li> <li>▪ Detection, characterization and response to threats to pipeline integrity caused by Office of Pipeline Safety integrity rule</li> <li>▪ Regulations on integrity management presenting significant costs of compliance</li> <li>▪ Office of Pipeline Safety rule on pipeline integrity</li> <li>▪ Advances sensors</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Perception/projection for 32 TCF demand. Not enough capacity in current pipeline</li> <li>▪ Need cheaper and quicker pipe in ground</li> <li>▪ Increased gas demand and power generation               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Increase efficiency and throughput of existing pipelines</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Need for spare pipeline capacity – variable rated compression</li> <li>▪ More throughput with existing pipelines</li> <li>▪ 30 TCF moved out in time 2015 – 2020</li> <li>▪ How do we capture more gas supply with new technology from old and new sources</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Rapid response/ recovery for terrorist or natural disasters = delivery surety</li> <li>▪ Establishment of Department of Homeland Security gas infrastructure security</li> <li>▪ Utility infrastructure security is becoming an issue since 9-11 (hacking into SCADA)</li> <li>▪ Emergency response               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- system shut-down</li> <li>- damaged</li> <li>- not damaged</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Replacement of aging compressors (many 30+ years old), no replacement parts</li> <li>▪ More efficient and less emitting compression drivers</li> </ul>

## GROUP B

### WHAT ARE THE KEY TRENDS THAT ARE AFFECT NATURAL GAS INFRASTRUCTURE? (CONTINUED)

GAS QUALITY	HYDROGEN	CATHODIC PROTECTION	LEAK SURVEY SYSTEMS	FACILITIES LOCATORS	LNG
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disparity of gas quality and conflict with pipeline standards How to reconcile e.g., LNG condensable liquids interchange- ability of gas</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conversion to hydrogen based energy system               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- natural gas conversion and infrastructure</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advanced CP data management concepts to extend life of steel infrastructure.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advanced gas leak survey systems               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- laser, visualization, aerial</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Underground imaging of buried structures high reliability               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Underground "x-ray"</li> </ul> </li> <li>Underground facility location of non-gas and electric facilities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increased use of LNG in future</li> <li>Proper infrastructure to handle LNG imports</li> </ul>



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